Notice of Allowability	Application No.	Applicant(s)		
	10/088,719	FUJII ET AL.		
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1. X This communication is responsive to the RCE filed on 07 F	February 2006.			
2. X The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-2, 7-9, 13-14 and 25-42.				
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Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1 each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in t	.84(c)) should be written on the drawing the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(ngs in the front (not th d).	e back) of	
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DETAILED ACTION

Continued Examination Under 37 CFR 1.114

1. A request for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, including the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e), was filed in this application after final rejection. Since this application is eligible for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, and the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e) has been timely paid, the finality of the previous Office action has been withdrawn pursuant to 37 CFR 1.114. Applicant's submission filed on 07 February 2006 has been entered.

Allowable Subject Matter

- 2. Claims 1-2, 7-9, 13-14 and 25-42 are allowed.
- 3. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: The relevant prior art does not disclose or fairly suggest the claimed garment having a first strong straining portion that covers over the furthest dorsal or posterior portion of the bulge of each buttock; or the claimed combination of a first strong straining portion along with various other strong straining portions (second, third, fourth, seventh, eighth, ninth or tenth).

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Amanda F. Wieker whose telephone number is 571-272-4794.

The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Thursday, 7:30 - 5:00 and alternate Fridays.

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If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's

supervisor, Henry Bennett can be reached on 571-272-4791. The fax phone number for the

organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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